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# H. R. 182

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Eight Mile River in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 2001

Mr. SIMMONS (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, and Ms. DELAURO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Eight Mile River Wild  
5       and Scenic River Study Act of 2001”.

6       **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       The Congress finds that—

1           (1) the Eight Mile River in the State of Con-  
2           necticut possesses important resource values, includ-  
3           ing wildlife, ecological, and scenic values, and his-  
4           toric sites and a cultural past important to Amer-  
5           ica’s heritage;

6           (2) there is strong support among State and  
7           local officials, area residents, and river users for a  
8           cooperative wild and scenic river study of the area;  
9           and

10          (3) there is a longstanding interest among  
11          State and local officials, area residents, and river  
12          users in undertaking a concerted cooperative effort  
13          to manage the river in a productive and meaningful  
14          way.

15 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION FOR STUDY.**

16          Section 5(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16  
17          U.S.C. 1276(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
18          lowing new paragraph:

19          “(138) EIGHT MILE RIVER, CONNECTICUT.—The  
20          segment from its headwaters downstream to its confluence  
21          with the Connecticut River.”.

22          “(18) The study of the Eight Mile River, Con-  
23          necticut, named in paragraph (138) of subsection (a) shall  
24          be completed by the Secretary of the Interior and the re-

1 port thereon submitted to Congress not later than 3 years  
2 after the date of the enactment of this paragraph.”.

3 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4       There are authorized to be appropriated such sums  
5 as may be necessary to carry out this Act.

